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INSPECTION, WATERMARK QUALITY INSPECTION DEVICE, etc.INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits as far as is known to the undersigned (37 CFR 1.97(b)(3)).

Attached herewith is a Japanese patent publication cited in the attached Japanese Office Action issued in connection with a counterpart Japanese patent application. Also attached are an English-language abstract of the publication and an English translation of the Office Action, from which any relevance of the publication may be gleaned. The other four references cited in the said Office Action are not being submitted herewith as they have previously been filed in the Information Disclosure Statement submitted with the application on September 21, 2006.

Also listed for consideration is one U.S. patent, which is the U.S. counterpart of the Japanese publication, from which any further relevance of the Japanese publication may be gleaned.

It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

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Respectfully submitted,

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